

CHAPTER NO. 132

HOUSE BILL NO. 858

By Representatives Larry Turner, Miller, John DeBerry, Chumney, Pruitt, Brooks

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 675

By Senators Dixon, Cohen

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 4, to authorize the issuance of new specialty earmarked license plates for Prince Hall Masons.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-202(c)(7), is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated subdivision:

() Prince Hall Masons;

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 4, Part 2, is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated section:

(a) Owners or lessees of motor vehicles who are residents of the State of Tennessee, upon complying with state motor vehicle laws relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicles, and paying the regular fee applicable to the motor vehicle and the fee provided for in §55-4-203, shall be issued a Prince Hall Masonry new specialty earmarked license plate for a motor vehicle authorized by §55-4-210(c).

(b) The new specialty earmarked plates provided for in this section shall contain an appropriate logo and design representative of Prince Hall Affiliation Free and Accepted Masonry, and shall be designed in consultation with the Grand Master of The Jurisdiction of The Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, State of Tennessee.

(c) (1) The funds produced from the sale of such Prince Hall Masonry new specialty earmarked license plates shall be allocated to Orange Mound Lodge #357, Free and Accepted Masons, P.H.A. of Memphis in accordance with §55-4-215. Such funds shall be used exclusively to benefit and further the goals of Orange Mound Charities.

(d) Notwithstanding the provisions of §55-4-201(c) and (d), the new specialty earmarked plate authorized by this act shall meet the minimum requirements of §55-4-201(b)(3)(B) and qualify for initial issuance within one (1) year of the effective date of this act. If the new specialty earmarked plate authorized by this act fails to meet the minimum issuance requirements of §55-4-201(b)(3)(B) within one (1) year of the effective date of this act, such plate shall not be issued and the commissioner shall notify the Tennessee Code Commission that the section of Tennessee Code Annotated authorizing the issuance of such plate is, on the basis of such inactivity, to be deemed obsolete and invalid.


SECTION 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 1999, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: April 29, 1999


JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES


JOHN S. WILDER
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 12th day of May 1999


DON CONQUIST, GOVERNOR